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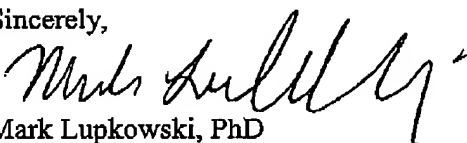
RE: U.S. Patent Application No. 09/880,514

Message:

Dear Examiner Rayford:

As requested, I am faxing the last few pages of the response due on April 11, 2005 for Application No. 09/880,514 that was sent to the USPTO on April 11, 2005.

Sincerely,



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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Examiner Rayford:

This is a Response to the Office Action mailed on January 11, 2005, which had a shortened statutory time to reply that ends on April 11, 2005.